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**Case 162-CIP-DIV1-U.S.**

**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>Applicants:</b>	Charles W. Finkl et al	)	
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<b>Serial No.:</b>	10/767,037	)	<b>Attention:</b>
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<b>Filing Date:</b>	January 28, 2004	)	<b>Primary Examiner Scott Kostler</b>
		)	
<b>Title:</b>	Apparatus for Softening	)	<b>Group Art Unit 1742</b>
	a Selected Portion of	)	
	a Steel Object by Heating	)	

**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action of September 29, 2004, please amend the above application as follows: